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Sir:

Applicant wishes to draw attention to the documents listed on the accompanying information disclosure statement. Copies of the documents other than U.S. patents are enclosed.

The documents listed in the information disclosure statement were cited in the International Search Report. A copy of the International Search Report was included with the items filed upon entering the national stage. Since the International Search Report indicates the degree of relevance, applicant believes that the requirement for a concise explanation of the relevance of any document that is not in the English language has been satisfied. See MPEP 609.

Japanese Publication No. 7188793 corresponds to Japanese Patent No. 3549560B2 which is cited in the International Search Report. An English abstract is included.

Pursuant to MPEP 609, it is requested that the Examiner should initial the information disclosure statement to confirm that each document has been considered, and return a copy of the form to the undersigned with the first Office Action. The PAIR record for this application does not show that a first Office Action on the merits has been mailed.

Respectfully submitted.

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